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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION FOLLOWING DECISION
BY BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Sir:

This amendment, dated September 7, 2004, is filed in response to the Office action, dated August 12, 2004, in the above-identified application, following a decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. Please amend this application as indicated below and consider the remarks following thereafter.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.